

California OES Weather Threat Briefing

Monday, October 26, 2020
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Day 1 (Monday): A very critical to extreme fire weather event will continue today across both northern and southern CA. Damage to trees and power lines are possible with the strongest winds.

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WEATHER KEY POINTS

10/26/20 - 11/01/20

Monday-Tuesday

- Widespread strong offshore/Santa Ana wind event continuing across **both northern and southern California** through Tuesday
 - The strongest winds in northern California are expected Monday; lighter, but still gusty winds and critical conditions expected Tuesday
 - Santa Ana winds in Southern California will remain strong Monday and Tuesday
 - The deserts of Southern Region will also see gusty winds and critical fire weather conditions
 - **Very critical to extreme fire weather conditions** could lead to rapid spread of any new fires
 - Very dry humidity expected
 - Wind gusts of 40-60 mph expected in many locations, with local gusts of 65-75 mph possible in favored locations
 - Strongest winds of the season so far in some locations, including along the western slopes of the Sierra and in the Bay Area
 - Strong winds could cause damage to trees and power lines
- Much colder temperatures will linger through Tuesday

Wednesday-Sunday

- A warming trend and lighter winds are expected for mid-to-late week, though fire weather conditions will remain elevated due to continued dry fuels and weather across the state
- Precipitation is possible across far northern California late in the week, but rain amounts do not appear significant at this time



CALIFORNIA WEATHER IMPACTS

10/26/20 - 11/01/20

<u>Hazards / Day</u>	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
Non-Thunderstorm Damaging Winds	All Regions	Southern					
Snow							
Coastal Flooding							
River Flooding							
Thunderstorms (Wind / Hail / Tornadoes)							
Fire Weather (Low Humidity / Wind / Dry Thunderstorms)	All Regions	All Regions	All Regions	All Regions	All Regions	All Regions	All Regions
Heat Risk							
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding / Debris Flow							
Cold	All Regions	All Regions					



No Impacts



Minimal Impacts



Moderate Impacts



Severe Impacts

PRECIPITATION FORECAST

10/26/20 - 10/28/20

No significant precipitation is expected
through Wednesday

Precipitation (inches)



WEATHER OUTLOOK

10/31/20 - 11/08/20

6-10 Day Outlook (October 31 – November 4)

Temperatures

- Above normal temperatures strongly favored statewide

Precipitation

- Below normal precipitation favored in northern California, near normal precipitation favored in southern California

8-14 Day Outlook (November 2– November 8)

Temperatures

- Above normal temperatures strongly favored statewide

Precipitation

- Below normal precipitation favored in northern California, near normal precipitation favored in southern California



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